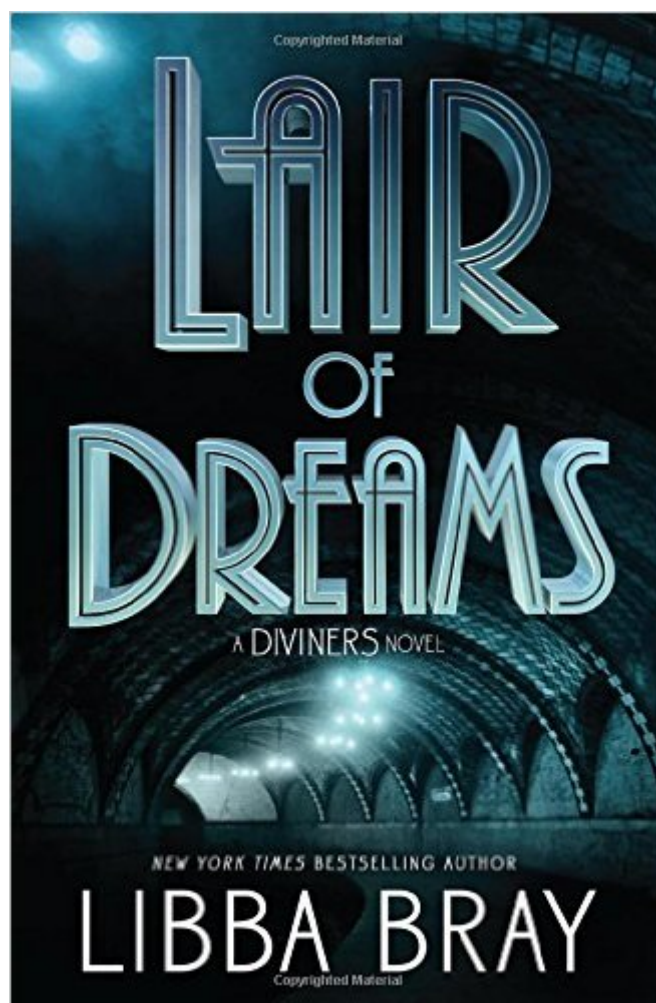


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Lair Of Dreams: A Diviners Novel (The Diviners)



Synopsis

The longing of dreams draws the dead, and this city holds many dreams. After a supernatural showdown with a serial killer, Evie O'Neill has outed herself as a Diviner. With her uncanny ability to read people's secrets, she's become a media darling, and earned the title "America's Sweetheart Seer." Everyone's in love with the city's newest It Girl...everyone except the other Diviners. Piano-playing Henry Dubois and Chinatown resident Ling Chan are two Diviners struggling to keep their powers a secret--for they can walk in dreams. And while Evie is living the high life, victims of a mysterious sleeping sickness are turning up across New York City. As Henry searches for a lost love and Ling strives to succeed in a world that shuns her, a malevolent force infects their dreams. And at the edges of it all lurks a man in a stovepipe hat who has plans that extend farther than anyone can guess....As the sickness spreads, can the Diviners descend into the dreamworld to save the city? In this heart-stopping sequel to *The Diviners*, Printz Award-winning and New York Times bestselling author Libba Bray takes readers deeper into the mystical underbelly of New York City.

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READ THIS BOOK IF: You're hungering for diversity. *Lair of Dreams* lights on class issues, politics, disability, abuse (trafficking), racial issues, eugenics, and LGBT relationships. You love historical fiction or history in general. There are so many important issues raised that you quickly become engrossed in the colloquialisms, manners, expectations. Everything

is made of speakeasy lingo and the old time euphoria of the early 1900s. You're looking for something creepy crawly and horrific. The mixture of multicultural folklore, ghosts, and governmental coverups will make your skin crawl. You adore Libba Bray. Each book is a new, wonderful surprise with multidimensional and unique characters set in intriguing places rife with crime and mystery. PROS: Diversity galore. Early 1900s beliefs and politics couple with each character. They all have something to overcome and work through. Historical truths like the Chinese Exclusion Act, the rise of the KKK, and raids on underground LGBT clubs all find their place in this unique story. Not only do we get to see conflicts that are relevant and the United States struggles with to this day but you get the different perspectives. From the extremely religious, from the Chinese restaurant owner, from a young gay lover who wants to find his place, and a woman who is hiding from an abusive past. There's a little bit of everything and you'll feel for every single character. Mysteries that started to develop in book one are even more prominent. The clues are everywhere. Everything is connected. The layering is astounding.

4.5 Stars Plot: The struggle with all sequels is not being able to remember what happened in the first book. Luckily, Libba Bray thinks of everything and feeds the reader small snippets of what happened in *The Diviners* to help jog memory. Libba Bray introduces a new paranormal mystery that unravels little by little. Libba Bray never fails to get me invested in one of her unique mysteries and the tale of the Sleeping Sickness is no different. I will say that *Lair of Dreams* lacks the creepastic gore that I came to love in *The Diviners*. Instead, I connected with *Lair of Dreams* on a more emotional level. Along with the Sleeping Sickness mystery, *Lair of Dreams* hints at the overall conflict which leaves the reader with nothing but questions as the novel concludes. Characters: Everyone that you know and love from *The Diviners* is back, and then some! We are introduced to Ling Chan, the Chinese-Irish-American girl with a love for science and a knack for dream walking. I abso-tive-ly adored her spunk and the amount of love and attention that Libba Bray put into her character. Along with some new faces, the gang reunites and digs deeper into their Diviner gifts. While *The Diviners* was Evie-centric, I felt that Evie was barely present in *Lair in Dreams*. Instead, we follow Henry's desire to become a musician and explore his emotional past. My main obsession with this series is Bray's dedication to her characters. Each person that makes an appearance in *Lair of Dreams* is breathed into life with enough backstory to make you empathize or want to learn more. Evie is clearly going through a rough patch after the events of *The Diviners* and we are able to see how Naughty Jon affected her and her relationships with others.

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